

Gay couple sues Vistaprint after company sends 80 'discriminatory religious pamphlets' instead of programs on the EVE of their wedding

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Two gay men were crushed when they discovered 80 pamphlets about sin inside a package that was supposed to be full of their wedding programs.

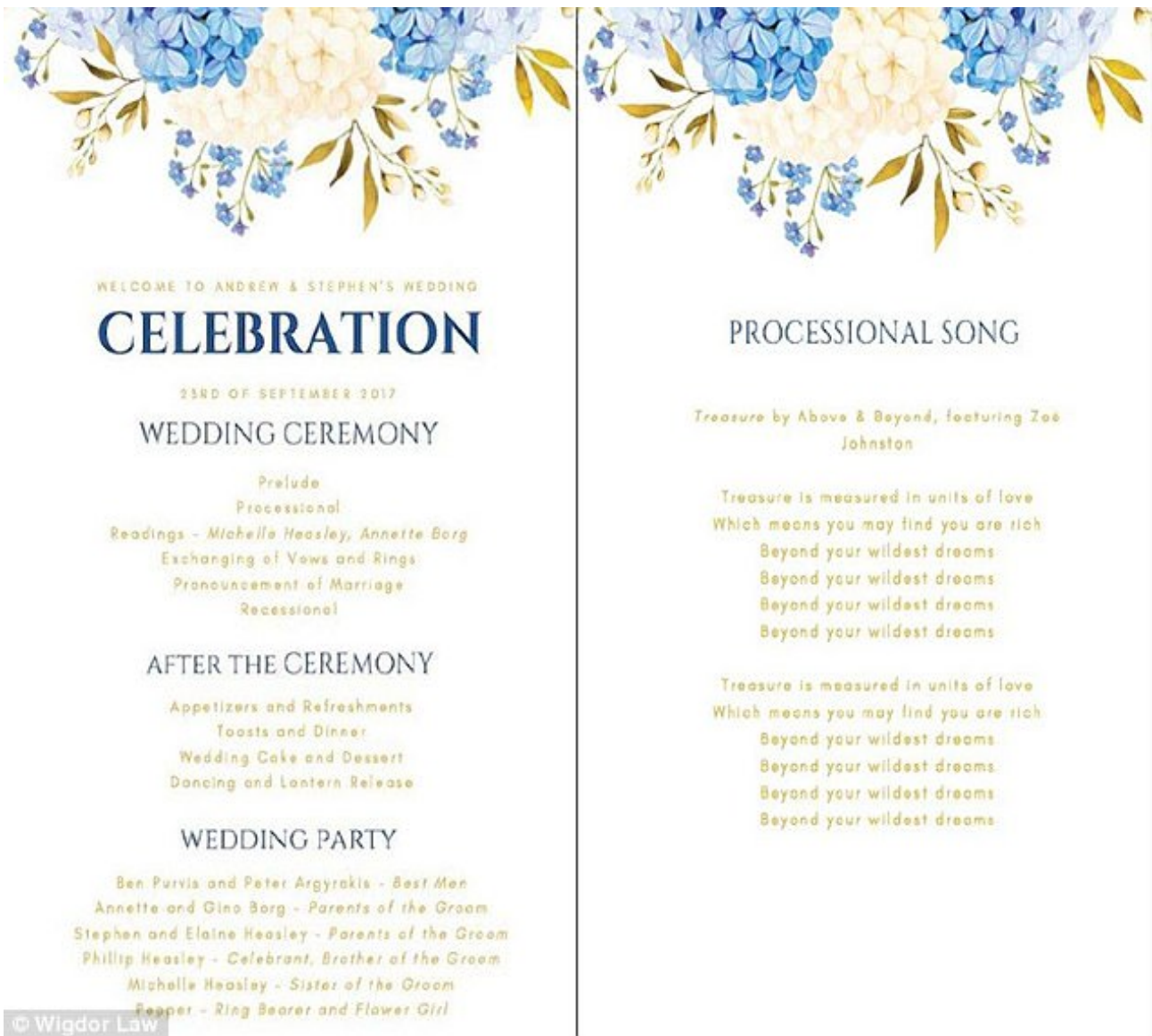
Andrew Borg, 31, and Stephen Heasley, 39, sued Vistaprint after their September 2017 wedding in Butler County, Pennsylvania - where they received the religious bulletins titled: 'Understanding Temptation: Fight the good fight of the faith,' just one day before their ceremony.

In the lawsuit, the couple said the printing company discriminated against them because of their sexual orientation, according to the [New York Daily News](#).

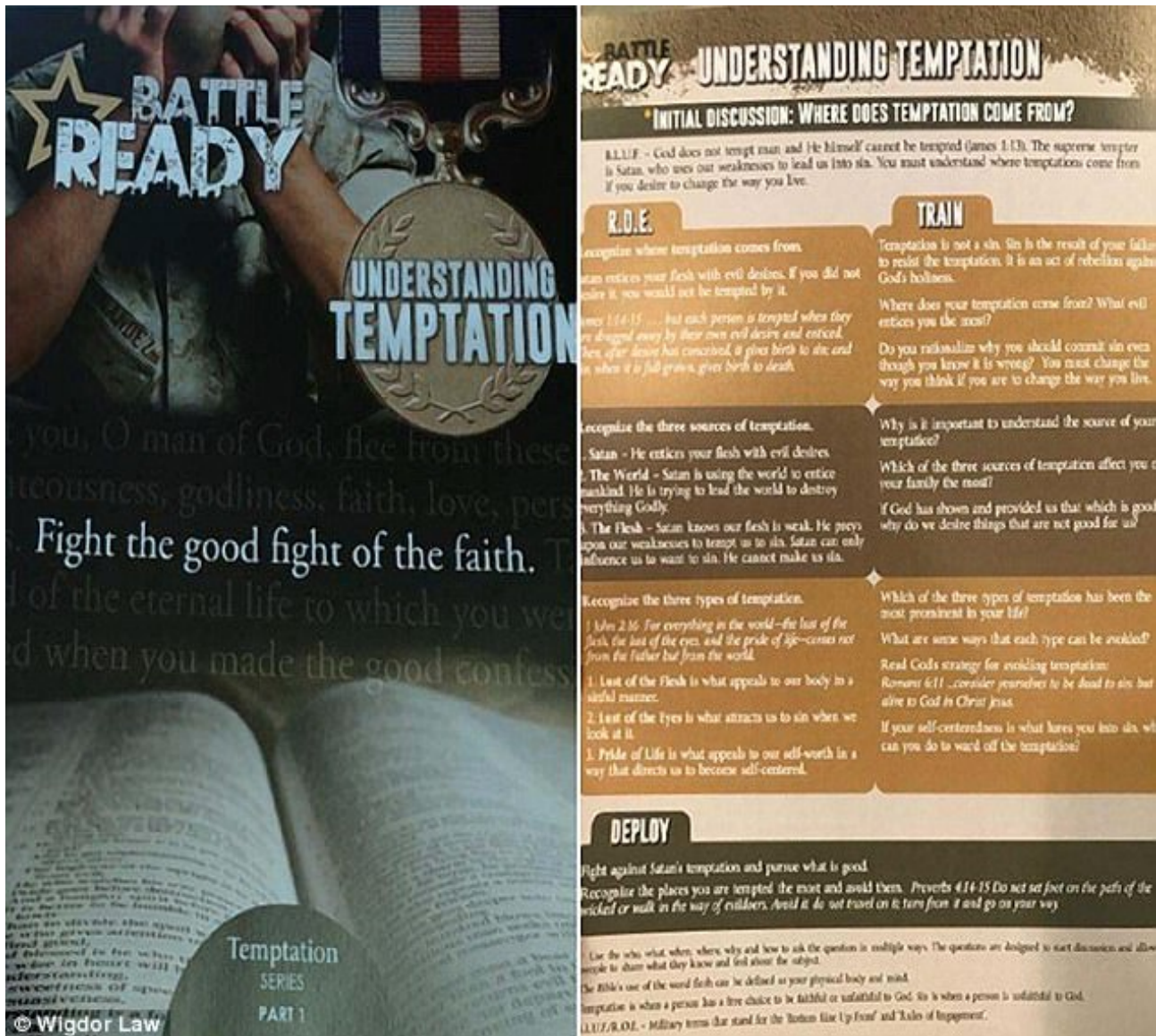
The now-married pair, who live in Australia but returned to the US to wed in front of their friends, also never received the 100 pack of programs they paid nearly \$80 for.



Andrew Borg and Stephen Heasley sued Vistaprint months after their September 2017 wedding after they received religious bulletins instead of their wedding programs



Their programs were customized with the lyrics from 'Treasure' by Above and Beyond, which was the song played during their wedding ceremony



Instead, they received the above pamphlets titled: 'Understanding Temptation: Fight the good fight of the faith,'

The programs were initially customized with the lyrics from 'Treasure' by Above and Beyond - which was the song that played during their ceremony, the New York Post reports.

Instead, they received the pamphlets that read in part: 'Satan entices your flesh with evil desires and sin is the result of your failure to resist the temptation. It is an act of rebellion against God's holiness.'

They were then forced to print new programs, adding to the cost of the order that was not received.

The couple argue in the lawsuit that although the pamphlets did not include any anti-gay messages, they were clearly intended to be hateful, and also equated their 'relationship to Satan's temptation.'



The now-married pair also never received the 100 pack of programs they paid nearly \$80 for. Lawyer for the couple, Michael J. Willemin, said the case 'presents a particularly egregious example of a company refusing to provide equal services to members of the LBGTQ community.'

The company has since launched an internal investigation, a spokesperson for Vistaprint confirmed in a statement.

'We have just been made aware of this incident in the last few hours,' the spokesperson said this week.

'We understand how upsetting it would be for anyone to receive materials such as these the night before their wedding.'



A spokesperson for Vistaprint said an internal investigation has been launched